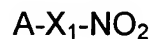


I. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Original) A method for treatment of gastrointestinal tumors by administering compounds, having the formula:



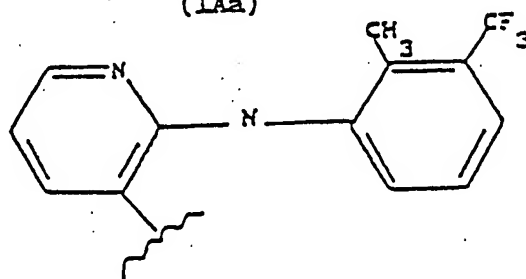
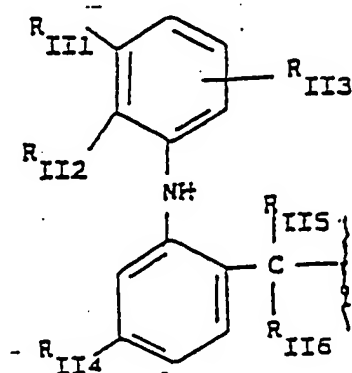
or their salts, where:

A = R(COX)<sub>t</sub> wherein t is an integer 0 or 1;

X = O, NH, NR<sub>1C</sub> wherein R<sub>1C</sub> is a linear or branched alkyl having from 1 to 10 C atoms;

R is chosen from the following groups:

Group I A), where t = 1,



where:

R<sub>II5</sub> is H, a linear C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub> alkyl, or a branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub> alkyl;

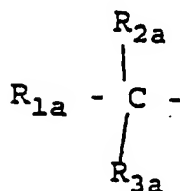
R<sub>II6</sub> has the same structure as R<sub>II5</sub>,

R<sub>II1</sub>, R<sub>II2</sub> and R<sub>II3</sub> are each hydrogen, linear C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl, branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkoxy, Cl, F, or Br;

R<sub>II4</sub> has the same structure as R<sub>II1</sub> or is bromine;

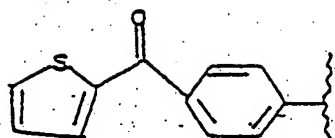
Group II A) chosen from the following:

where, when t = 1, R is

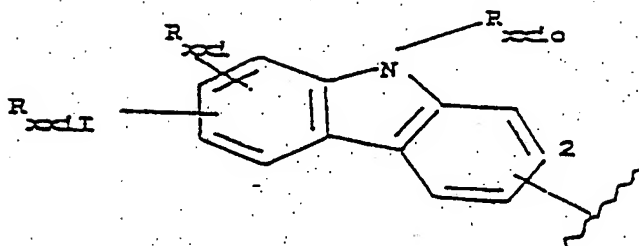


where R<sub>2a</sub> and R<sub>3a</sub> are H, a linear C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, a branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, or allyl, with the proviso that when one of the two is allyl the other is H;

R<sub>1a</sub> is chosen from the subgroup II Aa) consisting of



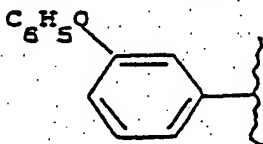
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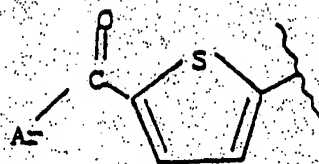
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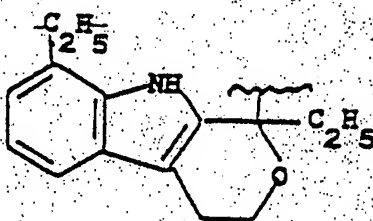
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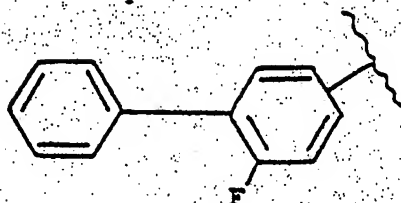
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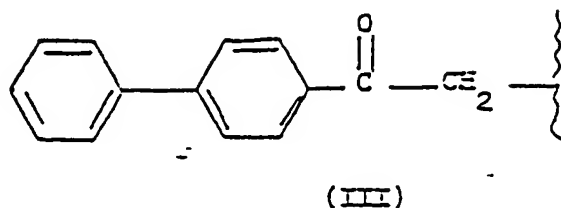
(VIII)



(IX)



(X)



wherein:

in the residue of formula (IV):

$R_{III1}$  is H or  $SR_{III3}$  where  $R_{III3}$  contains from 1 to 4 linear or branched C atoms; and

$R_{III2}$  is H or hydroxy;

in the residue of formula (XXI):

$R_{xxio}$  is H, a linear alkyl having 1-6 carbon atoms, a branched alkyl having from 1 to 6 carbon atoms, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkoxy-carbonyl bound to a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  carboxyalkyl, or a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkanoyl, optionally substituted with halogen, benzyl or halobenzyl, benzoyl or halobenzoyl;

$R_{xxi}$  is H, halogen, hydroxy, CN, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl optionally containing OH groups, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkoxy, acetyl, benzyloxy,  $SR_{xxi2}$  where  $R_{xxi2}$  is a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl; a perfluoroalkyl having a 1-3 C atoms, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  carboxyalkyl optionally containing OH groups,  $NO_2$ , sulphamoyl, dialkyl sulphamoyl with the alkyl having from 1 to 6 C atoms, or difluoroalkylsulphonyl with the alkyl having from 1 to 3 C atoms;

$R_{xxil}$  is halogen, CN, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl optionally containing one or more OH groups, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkoxy, acetyl, acetamido, or benzyloxy,

$SR_{III3}$  is as above defined, a perfluoroalkyl having from 1 to 3 C atoms, hydroxy, a carboxyalkyl having from 1 to 6 C atoms, hydroxy, a carboxyalkyl having from 1 to 6 C

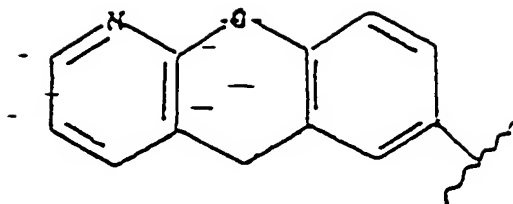
atoms, NO<sub>2</sub>, amino, mono- or dialkylamino having from 1 to 6 C atoms, sulphamoyl, a dialkyl sulphamoyl having from 1 to 6 C atoms, difluoroalkylsulphamoyl; or R<sub>xxi</sub> together with R<sub>xxii</sub> is an alkylene dioxy having from 1 to 6 C atoms;

In the residue of formula (XXXV):

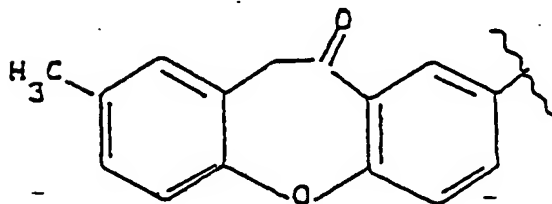
Ar is phenyl, hydroxyphenyl optionally mono- or polysubstituted with halogen, an alkanoyl or alkoxy having from 1 to 6 C atoms, a trialalkyl having from 1-6 C atoms, cyclopentyl o-hexyl o-heptyl, thienyl, furyl, furyl containing OH, or pyridyl;

Subgroup II Ab) consisting of:

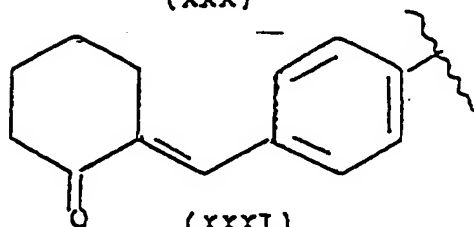
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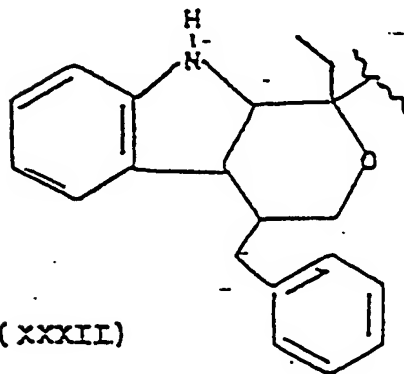
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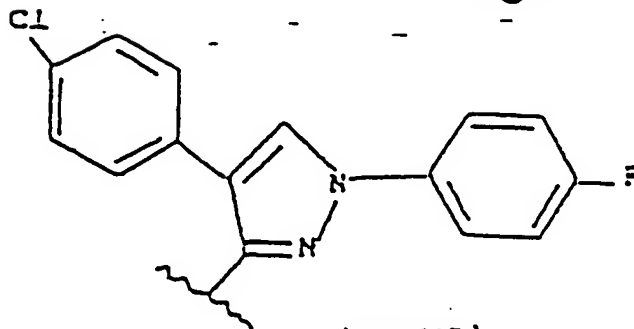
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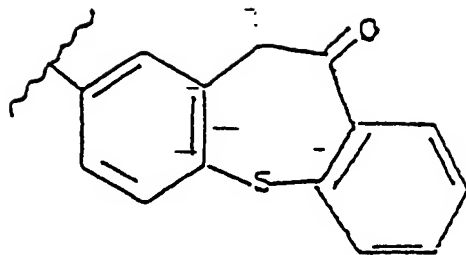
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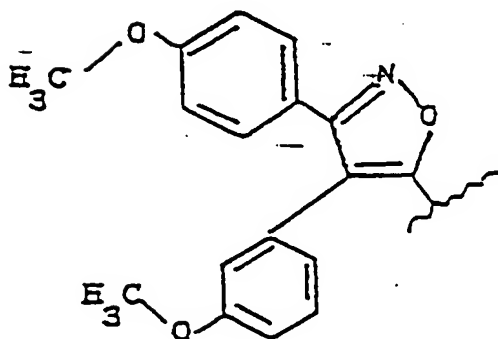
(xxxii)



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(XXXVI)



(XXXVII)

wherein:

when IIIa) contains  $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)-\text{COOH}$  it is known as pranoprofen:  $\alpha$ -methyl-5H-(1) benzopyran (2,3-b) pyridine-7-acetic acid;

when residue (XXX) contains  $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)-\text{COOH}$  it is known as bermoprofen: dibenz (b,f) oxepin-2-acetic acid;

residue (XXXI) is known as CS-670: 2-(4-2(2-oxo-1-cyclohexylidenemethyl) phenyl) propionic acid, when the radical is  $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)-\text{COOH}$ ;



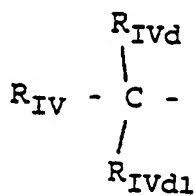
when residue (XXXII) contains group  $-\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$  it is known as pemedolac;

when residue (XXXIII) is saturated with  $-\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$  it is known as pyrazolac: 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-(4-fluorophenyl) 3-pyrazolyl acid derivatives;

when residue (XXXVI) is saturated with  $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{-COO-}$  it is known as zaltoprofen;

when residue (XXXVII) is  $\text{CH}_2\text{-COOH}$  it derives from the known mofezolac: 3,4-di p-methoxyphenyl) isoxazol-5-acetic acid;

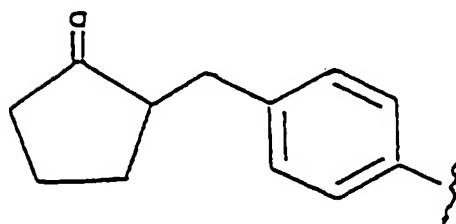
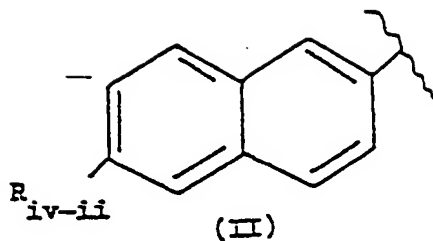
Group IIIA), where  $t = 1$ ,



wherein:

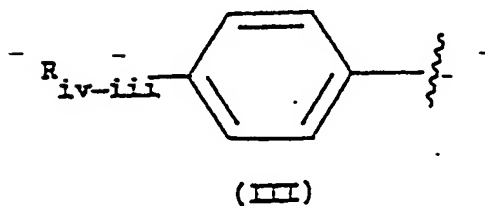
at least one of  $\text{R}_{\text{IVd}}$  and  $\text{R}_{\text{IVd1}}$  is H and the other a linear or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$  alkyl, or difluoroalkyl with the alkyl having from 1-6 C atoms, or  $\text{R}_{\text{IVd}}$  and  $\text{R}_{\text{IVd1}}$  jointly form a methylene group;

$\text{R}_{\text{IV}}$  has the following structure:



(X)

, or



where:

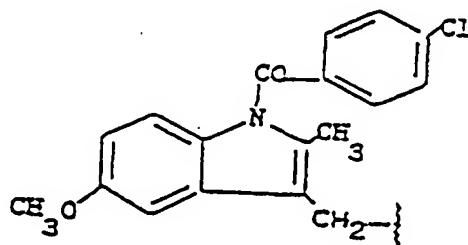
in the residue of formula (II):

$R_{IV-II}$  is selected from the group consisting of an alkyl having from 1 to 6 C atoms, a cycloalkyl having from 3 to 7 C atoms, an alkoxymethyl having from 1 to 7 C atoms, a trifluoroalkyl having from 1 to 3 C atoms, vinyl, ethynyl, halogen, an alkoxy having from 1 to 6 C atoms, a difluoroalkoxy with the alkyl having from 1 to 7 C atoms, an alkoxymethyloxy having from 1 to 7 C atoms, an alkylthiomethyloxy with the alkyl having from 1 to 7 C atoms, an alkylmethylthio with the alkyl having from 1 to 7 C atoms, cyano,

difluoromethylthio, a substituted phenyl-, and phenylalkyl with the alkyl having from 1 to 8 C atoms;

R<sub>IV-III</sub> is a C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>5</sub> alkyl, a C<sub>2</sub> or C<sub>3</sub> alkyloxy, allyloxy, phenoxy, phenylthio, a cycloalkyl having from 5 to 7 C atoms, optionally substituted at position 1 by a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub> alkyl;

Group IV A)

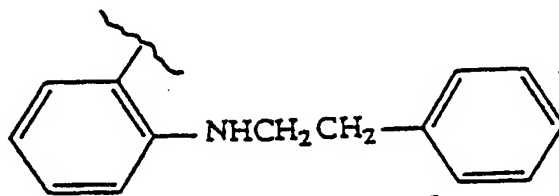


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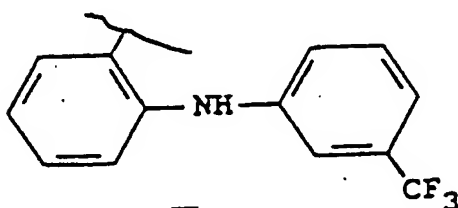
where A = RCOO, t = 1,

Group V A) chosen from the following:

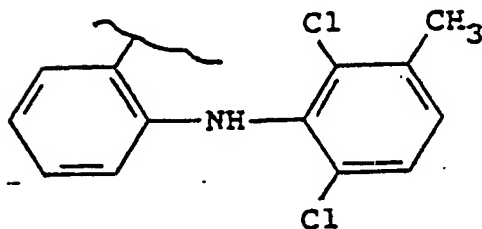
Subgroup V Aa) residues chosen from the following, where  $t = 1$



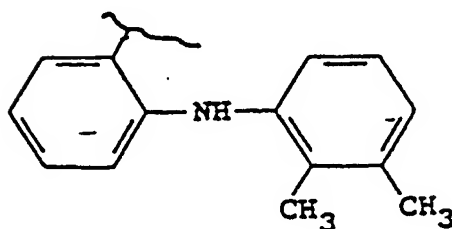
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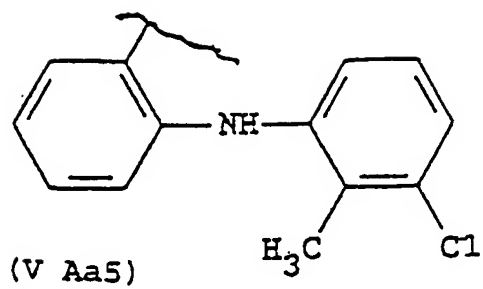
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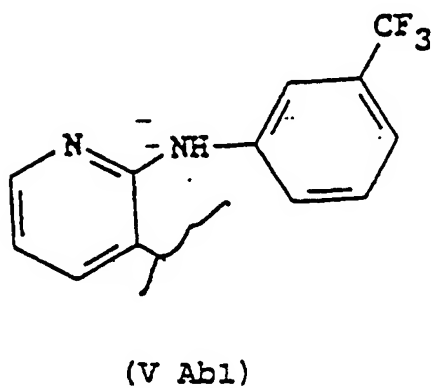
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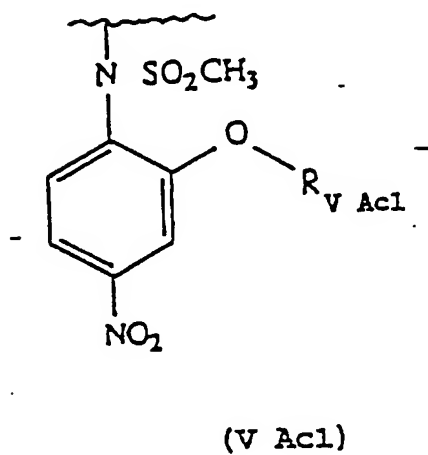
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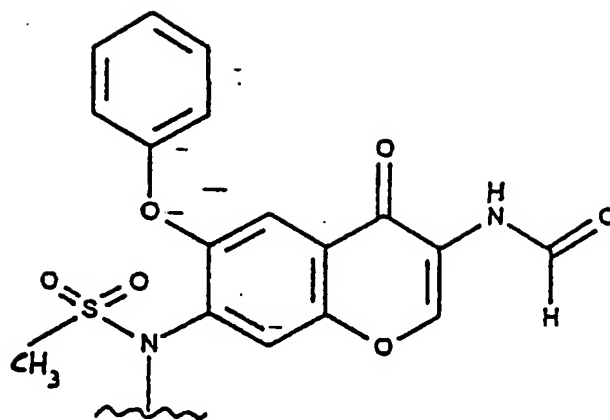


subgroup V Ab), residue, where t = 1:

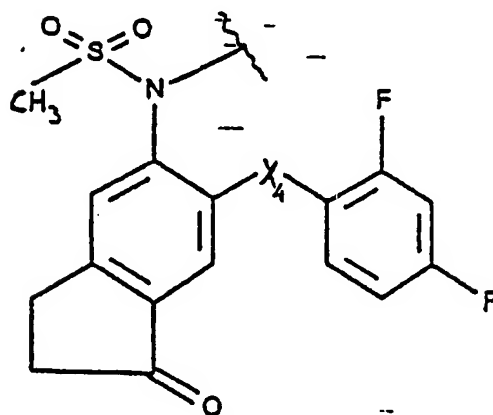


subgroup V Ac), residue, where t = 0 and R is as follows:

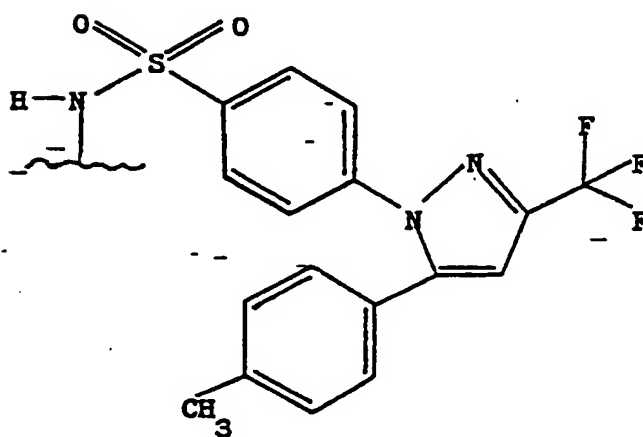




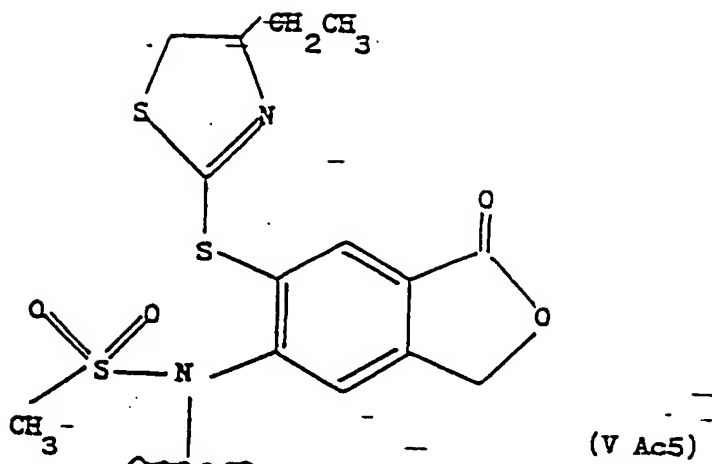
(V Ac2)



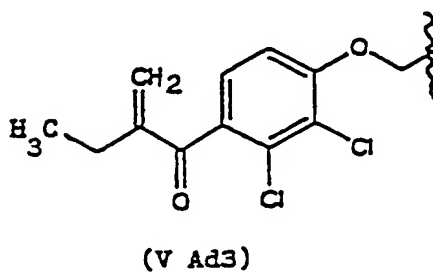
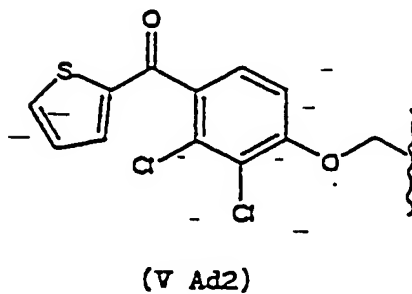
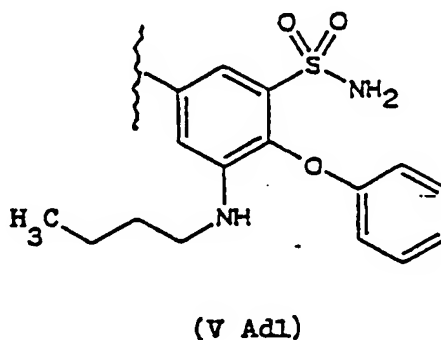
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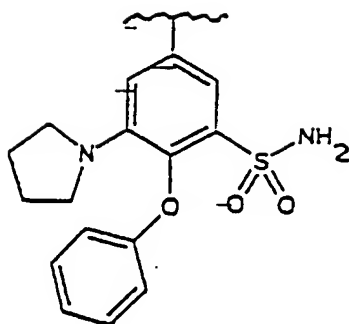


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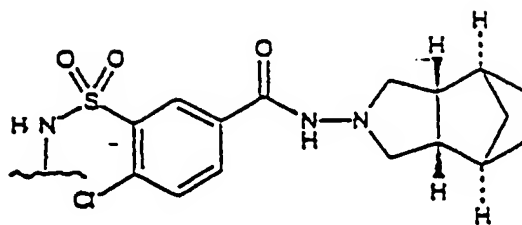
subgroup V Ad) residues, where  $t = 1$  and R is as follows:



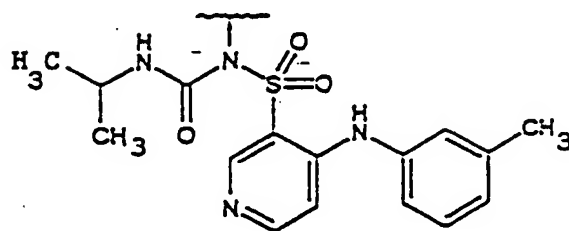


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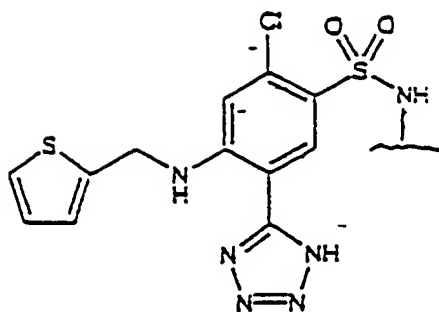


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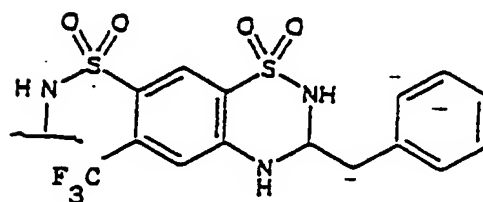


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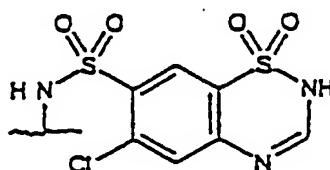




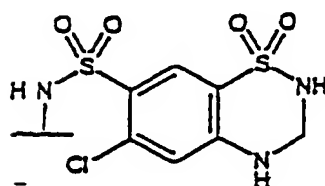
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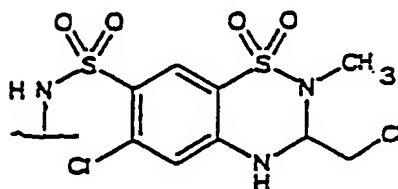
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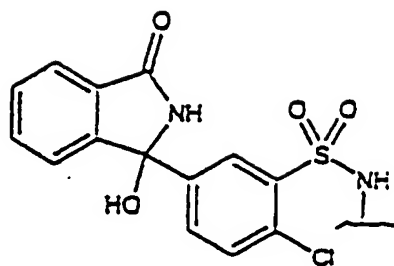
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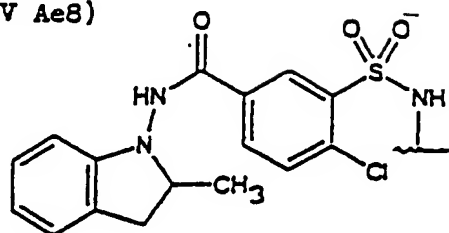
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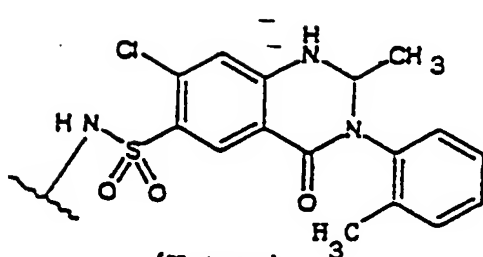
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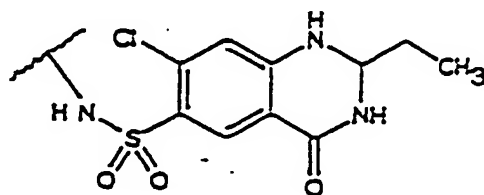
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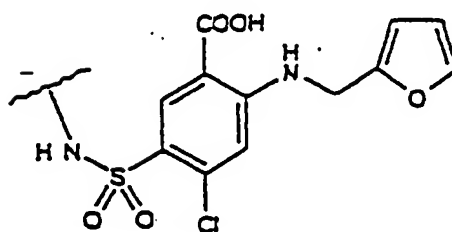
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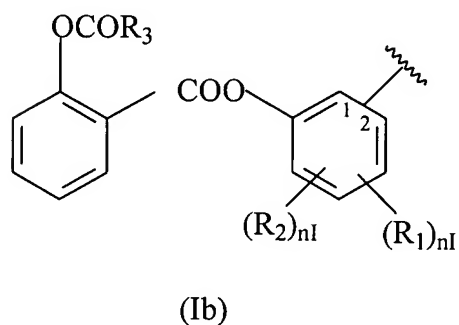
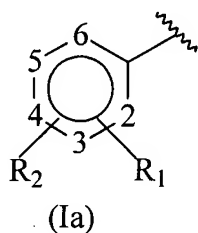
wherein:

in compounds (V Ac1) Rvac1 attached to the oxygen atom in position 2 of the benzene ring of the N - (4-nitro-phenyl)methansulphonamide can be phenyl or cyclohexane, when Rvac1 is phenyl the residue is that of nimesulfide;

in compounds ( V Ac2) the residue of 3-formylamino-7-methylsulfonylamino-6-phenoxy-4H-1-benzopyran-4-one has been shown;

in compounds (V Ac3) the atom  $X_4$  that links the radical 2,4-difluorothiophenyl to position 6 of the indanone ring of the residue 5-methanesulfonamido-1-indanone can be sulfur or oxygen;

Group VIA), where  $t = 1$ ,



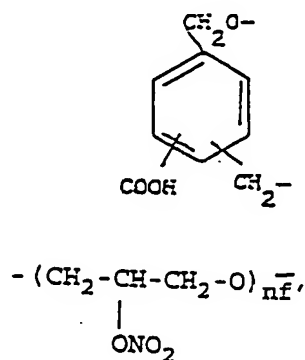
$R_1$  is group  $OCOR_3$ ; where  $R_3$  is methyl, ethyl or a linear or branched  $C_3$ - $C_5$  alkyl, or the residue of a single-ring heterocycle having 5 or 6 atoms which can be aromatic, partially or totally hydrogenated, containing one or more heteratoms independently chosen from O, N and S;  $R_2$  is hydrogen, hydroxy, halogen, a linear or whenever possible branched alkyl having from 1 to 4 C atoms, a linear or whenever possible branched alcoxyl having from 1 to 4 C atoms; a linear or whenever possible branched perfluoroalkyl having from 1 to 4 C atoms, for example trifluoromethyl, nitro, amino, mono- or di ( $C_{1-4}$ ) alkylamino;  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  jointly are the dioxymethylene group, with the proviso that when  $X = NH$ , then  $X_1$  is ethylene and  $R_2 = H$ ;  $R_1$  cannot be  $OCOR_3$  at position 2 when  $R_3$  is methyl;  $n_1$  being an integer from 0 to 1;

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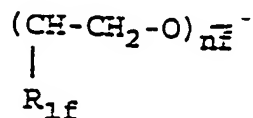
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where  $nf$  is an integer from 1 to 6;



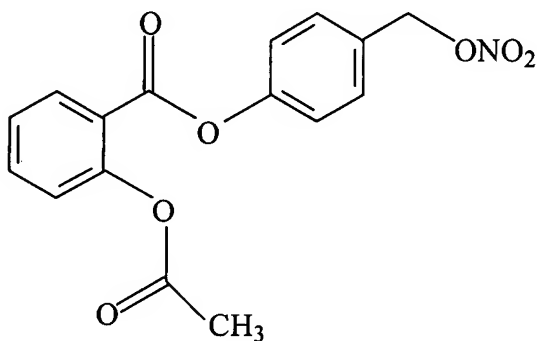
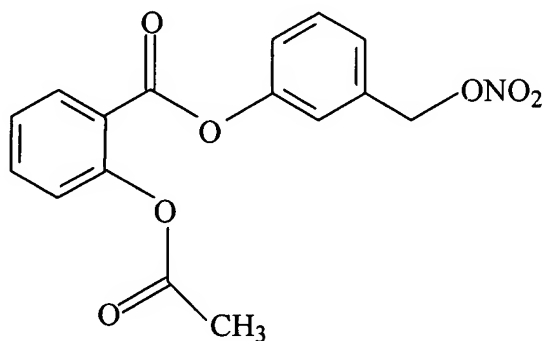
where  $\text{R}_{1f} = \text{H}$  or  $\text{CH}_3$  and  $nf$  is an integer from 1 to 6.

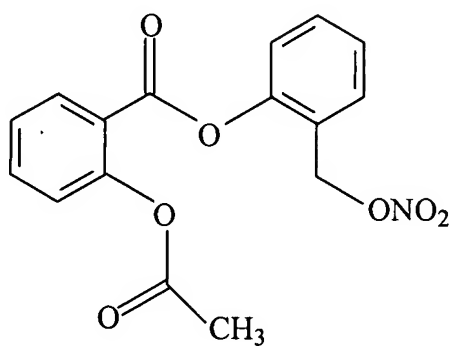
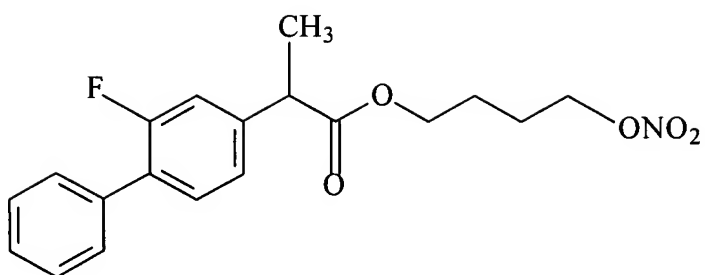
2. (Original) The method according to Claim 1, in which R is selected from groups IIA) and VIA).

3. (Withdrawn) The method according to Claim 1, in which R is as defined by group IIA), wherein  $\text{R}_{3a} = \text{H}$ ,  $\text{R}_{2a} = \text{CH}_3$ ,  $\text{R}_{1a}$  is the formula (IX) and  $\text{X} = \text{O}$ .

4. (Original) The method according to Claim 1, in which R is as defined by group VIA) (formula Ia), wherein  $R_1$  is the group  $OCOR_3$  with  $R_3 = CH_3$ ,  $R_2 = H$  and  $X = O$ ;  $R_1$  is in the ortho position to CO.

5. (Original) A method for treatment of gastrointestinal tumors, according to Claim 1, by administering compounds having the following formulas:





6. (Canceled)